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SUMMARY: PAN AM ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN FURTHER EXTENSION OF ASL CONTRACT FROM DGCA BACKED BY CONGEN, HAS FAILED AND LOCAL PAN AM DIRECTOR WILL HIRE FORMER ASL EMPLOYEES DIRECTLY "ON TEMPORARY BASIS" FOR GROUND HANDLING SERVICES. END SUMMARY

1. FOLLOWING RECEIPT REFTEL I CALLED ON DIRECTOR GENERAL CIVIL AVAITION R. RIZVI SEPT 30 TO SEEK EXTENSION PAN AM CONTRACT WITH AVIATION SERVICES LTD (ASL) FOR AT LEAST 30 DAYS, ON GROUND THAT QUESTION WOULD BE DISCUSSED IN AVIATION BILATERIALS STARTING OCT 1 IN WASHINGTON. RIZVI WAS POLITE BUT FIRM IN POINTING OUT THAT GROUND HANDLING BYOUTSIDE CONTRACTING COMPANY NOT SUITABLE SUBJECT FOR BILATERAL AVIATION NEGOTIATIONS SINCE ALL SUCH PRIVILEGES SUBJECT TO LOCAL LAW. PROVISION ON GROUND SERVICES, AS SET DOWN IN REGULATIONS ISSUED MAY 1958 AND UNCHANGED SINCE THAT TIME, ALLOW GROUND SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED ONLY BY FOREIGN CARRIERS DIRECTLY OR BY PIA. THUS NO DISCRIMINATION BEING SHOWN AGAINST PAN AM, RIZVI CLAIMED.

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2. RIZVI ADDED HE HAD FIRST INFORMALLY NOTIFIED PAN AM LOCAL

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DIRECTOR PENNING OF DGCA INTENTION REVOKE PAN AM PERMISSION EMPLOY "CASUAL LABOR" (DGCA HAS NEVER ACKNOWLEDGED IN WRITING EXISTENCE OF ASL AS LABOR CONTRACTOR) IN JAN 1974. RIZVI SAID HAD FOLLOWED UP VERBAL NOTICE IN JAN BY WRITTEN NOTICE ON 13 JULY 1974 GIVING PAN AM 30 DAYS TO CONFORM WITH MAY 1958 REGS. RIZVI SAID HE HAD EXTENDED AUGUST 14 DEADLINE TO AUGUST 31 AND THEN GIVEN SECOND EXTENSION TO SEPTEMBER 30. HE CLAIMED HE HAD BEEN BLAMED BY CENTRAL GOVERNMENT FOR GIVING THESE TWO EXTENSIONS ON HIS OWN INITIATIVE AND DEFINITELY WAS UNDER ORDERS TO GIVE NO FURTHER EXTENSION TO PAN AM UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

3. PAN AM DIRECTOR PENNING ACKNOWLEDGES ACCURACY ABOVE SEQUENCE NOTIFICATIONS. HE ALSO SAW RIZVI EARLIER IN MORNING AND AGREES WITH MY JUDGEMENT THAT THERE IS NO POSSIBILITY OBTAINING THIRD EXTENSION ASL CONTRACT FROM DGCA. (RIZVI HAS IN NO WAY CHANGED HIS POSITION ON THIS POINT FROM THAT DESCRIBED REF C).

4. PENNINGSALSOFTOLD ME HE HAD JUST RECEIVED TELEGRAM FROM DEPUTY SECRETARY MINDEFENSE (AVIATION DIVISION) MUFTI IN ISLAMABAD, STATING "DGCA IS APPLICABLE AUTHORITY FOR THESE MATTERS AND THE RESTRICTION, WHICH IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT POLICY, IS APPLICABLE UNIFORMLY TO ALL OPERATORS". PENNING AND I ALSO AGREE THIS TELEGRAM INDICATES HIS ATTEMPT TO GO OVER HEAD OF DGCA AND OBTAIN INDEFINITE EXTENSION OF ASL CONTRACT FROM MINDEFENSE (OUTLINED REF B) HAS FAILED, AND THAT PAN AM HOME OFFICE WILL NOW DEFINITELY HAVE TO FACE UP TO MAKING DECISION ON DIRECT HIRE OF GROUND PERSONNEL OR EMPLOYMENT PIA FOR GROUND SERVICES.

5. AS THIS TELEGRAM WAS COMPLETED PENNING CALLED TO SAY HE HAD JUST RECEIVED PERMISSION FROM HOME OFFICE HIRE DIRECTLY PRESENT ASL EMPLOYEES "ON TEMPORARY BASIS" AND HAS DRAFTED LETTER TO ASL TERMINATING THAT ORGANIZATION'S SERVICES.
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